

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2010
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor Jeff Robinson called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members present: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, Jeff Robinson, David Keene, Brian Leeman, Robert Howard.
3. Consider minutes of previous meeting

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve town council meeting minutes of August 12th and 26th, 2010 as presented.

4. Receive and discuss correspondence and documents
 - a. Departmental Reports
 - Council members received copies of departmental reports and were asked to direct any questions or concerns to the Town Manager or Department Heads.
 - b. Financial Reports for the period ending 8-31-2010
 - Council members received copies of the Financial Reports ending 8-31-2010. Town Manager noted no concerns, and asked that questions or concerns be directed to himself or the Finance Director.
 - c. Treasurer's Warrants for August 2010
 - Council members received copies of Treasurer's Warrants for the month of August 2010. Town Manager asked that questions or concerns be directed to himself or the Finance Director.
 - d. Working draft of the proposed Town Council Rules
 - Council members received a copy of the working draft of the proposed Town Council Rules for their review.
 - e. Letter from Bucksport Regional Health Center requesting an easement across Miles Lane

It was motioned by David Kee, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to refer Bucksport Regional Health Center letter requesting an easement across Miles Lane to the Ordinance Committee, and report their findings back to the Council.

5. Consider Resolve #R-2011-33 adopting Rules of Procedure for the Bucksport Planning Board

David Keene, Chairperson for the Ordinance Committee briefly reviewed the proposed changes to the Rules of Procedure for the Planning Board.

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-33.

6. Consider Resolve #R-2011-34 awarding contract for winter road sand

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-34.

7. Consider Resolve #R-2011-35 awarding contract for winter road salt

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-35.

Voted In Favor: Michael Ormsby, Byron Vinton, David Kee, Jeff Robinson, David Keene, Brian Leeman.

Unavailable: Robert Howard

Voted: Favorable 6 - 0

8. Consider Resolve #R-2011-36 awarding engineering contract to develop a master plan for the walking paths and Miles Lane Trail extension

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-36.

9. Consider Resolve #R-2011-37 awarding contract for a landscape architect to develop plans for areas on the west end of the waterfront

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-37.

10. Consider Resolve #R-2011-38 authorizing expenditure for installation of a booster pump at the skating rink building

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-38.

11. Consider Resolve #R-2011-39 awarding contract for installation of walkways at the Veterans Memorial

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-39.

12. Consider Resolve #R-2011-40 awarding bid for purchase of used highway equipment

It was motioned by Brian Leeman, seconded by Byron Vinton and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2011-40.

13. Issue licenses or permits, if any

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by Brian Leeman and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Jeffery Dorr, d/b/a Dorr's Seafood.

It was motioned by Byron Vinton, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Victualer License for Derek Pomeroy, d/b/a Derek Pomeroy.

14. Hear report from Town Manager regarding the following:

- a. Access to Natural Gas

-Communications with Bangor Gas continues regarding the expansion of natural gas to serve the compact area. In addition, Town Manager reported that he had worked with the Superintendent of Schools to identify a firm qualified to complete a study to determine the feasibility of heating the Bucksport Schools with natural gas. A positive determination will certainly help justify the expansion of the gas system into the compact area.

- b. Phase II Industrial Park

-The subdivision plan for Phase II of the industrial park has been approved by the planning board, and the plan will be filed at the Registry of Deeds within the next few days. The only permit remaining is a Storm Water Management Permit from Maine DEP. The Permit by Rule application was filed this week, and expects to receive the permit within the next few weeks. In the meantime, Town Manager directed Millett Associates to complete the design work for the road and utilities. The project will not be bid out until developers can be identified and there are ample jobs created to justify an application for a CDBG to pay for the improvements.

- c. Miles Lane Trail extension

-On August 27th, a representative from the Bureau of Parks and Land conducted a site visit of the Miles Lane Trail. Town Manager reviewed the plans to expand the trail by ½ mile, the Town's interest to apply for a development grant from the Bureau, and to prepare a master plan to

include all trails and how these trails can be connected. He was very supportive and encouraged an application from the town. The maximum grant the town can apply for in 2010 is \$35,000.

d. Silver Lake Boat Landing improvements

-The Town attorney has reviewed a draft copy of the deed received from Verso's attorney for the property located south of the boat landing that is proposed to provide parking opportunities for boaters. The deed was found to be satisfactory; therefore, the town attorney has notified Verso's attorney to proceed with signing the deed. Millett Associates has prepared several schematics outlining different parking possibilities for the properties located on the south and north side of the landing. The Conservation and Finance Committees are in the process of reviewing the proposed alternatives and are finalizing recommendations for the town council to consider.

e. Senior onsite meal program

-Continuing to work to identify all of the alternatives that are available to prepare meals on site. The most practical alternatives include RSU #25 preparing the meals in conjunction with their meal program or the town hiring a cook. The problem for the RSU is obtaining liability insurance while the overall issue is having at least 40 clients each mealtime. Currently 15 to 25 clients use the meal site. If this trend continues, the program could not support itself financially. This information was shared with the seniors and asked that the seniors provide feedback.

f. Townsite drainage project

-The contractor has been steady but slow. Approximately 33% of the project has been completed to date. Several change orders have been necessary in order to address issues that were unforeseen at the time the plans were completed. There is ample funding to pay for the change orders approved to date.

g. Pellet Boiler at the treatment plant

-The contractor has removed the old boiler and started some of the pumping necessary to allow for the new pellet boiler. The project is scheduled for completion by the middle of October.

h. Light at Peary's Landing for Tannery Brook crossing

-The light has been installed that the town council requested at Peary's Landing to light Tannery Brook Crossing. The light needs to be adjusted so that it can fully light underneath the bridge. It will be adjusted this weekend.

i. SHIP Program

-All of the plans and documents are ready to seek bids for the project. The town council will be asked to award a contract at the first meeting in October.

j. Central Street paving

-Lane reported that they would complete the paving on Central Street during the week of September 13th, assuming the weather permits.

15. Discussion items

David Kee noted that the flush device in the ladies bathroom on the Waterfront pushes very hard.

Town Manager indicated that Osborne's plumbing has been working on this project.

Byron Vinton asked about the status of the manhole cover on Main Street. Town Manager indicated that he spent approximately 45 minutes visiting with the gentlemen and did not witness any obvious problems with the cover.

16. Adjournment

It was motioned by Robert Howard, seconded by David Kee and unanimously voted that the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy L. Downes
Council Secretary